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The following Bill was introduced in the Rajya Sabha on the 12th November, 1962:—

BILL No. XIX OF 1962

A bill further to amend the East Punjab Ayurvedic and Unani Practitioners Act, 1949 as in force in the Union territory of Delhi.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Thirteenth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be called the East Punjab Ayurvedic and Unani Practitioners (Delhi Amendment) Act, 1962. Short title
and com-
mencement.

(2) It shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint.

2. In section 16 of the East Punjab Ayurvedic and Unani Practitioners Act, 1949 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), to sub-section (2), the following proviso shall be added, namely:— Amendment
of section 16.

East Punjab
Act 14 of
1949.

“Provided that any such person, who has not been registered as a practitioner, may make within six months next after the commencement of the East Punjab Ayurvedic and Unani Practitioners (Delhi Amendment) Act, 1962, an application for such registration and shall, on proof to the satisfaction of the Registrar that he had been in regular practice as a practitioner for a period of not less than ten years immediately preceding the date on which he might have made an application for being registered as a practitioner under this Act and of his continued practice as such since then, be entitled to have his name entered in the register on payment of the prescribed fee.”

Amendment
of section 34.

3. After sub-section (2) of section 34 of the principal Act, the following sub-section shall be inserted, namely:—

“(2A) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (2), every person shall be entitled to have his name entered in the aforesaid list on payment of five rupees within a period of six months from the date of commencement of the East Punjab Ayurvedic and Unani Practitioners (Delhi Amendment) Act, 1962, if he proves to the satisfaction of the Registrar that he, having been in regular practice of the Ayurvedic or Unani systems of medicine in this Union territory on the date mentioned in the notification under sub-section (1), has been in regular practice since then.”.

Amendment
of section 37.

4. In section 37 of the principal Act, the following proviso shall be added, namely:—

“Provided that the provisions of this section shall not apply to the persons registered under the proviso to sub-section (2) of section 16.”.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

The East Punjab Ayurvedic and Unani Practitioners Act of 1949 as in force in the Union territory of Delhi provides for the registration of Ayurvedic and Unani Practitioners fulfilling certain conditions. Section 16(2) enabled practitioners who did not possess the qualifications mentioned in the Schedule, but were in practice for not less than ten years, to get themselves registered within a period of two years. Section 34 entitled persons who were not eligible to be registered otherwise, to have their names entered in a List, to be maintained by the Registrar, within a notified period. The Act provides that no person other than a practitioner who is registered or enlisted shall practise the Ayurvedic or Unani system of medicine.

It has been reported that a number of vaidas and hakims could not get themselves registered or enlisted within the prescribed period and they have not discontinued their practice as it is the only means of their livelihood. It is therefore proposed that one more chance should be given to such vaidas and hakims to get themselves registered or enlisted. To achieve this object, the Bill proposes to amend suitably sections 16 and 34 and to make a consequential amendment in section 37.

NEW DELHI;

The 6th November, 1962.

SUSHILA NAYAR.

S. N. MUKERJEE,
Secretary.

